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BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for
Approval of Renewable Power Purchase Agreement With
FPL Energy Wisconsin Wind LLC and Recovery of Costs
and Partial Compliance With Advance Plan 8 Order Point 4

6630-EI-108

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING
AND
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS**

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to consider the October 27, 1999, application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO or applicant) for approval of:

- 1) Its power purchase agreement with FPL Energy Wisconsin Wind, LLC, (FPL Energy) pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.377(2)(b). WEPCO requests Commission approval of 25.2 MW of new electric capacity from the FPL Energy project.
- 2) Rate recovery of costs, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.377(2)(f). WEPCO requests that the Commission find that the costs incurred in the power purchase agreement are recoverable in the company's retail electric rates.
- 3) Partial compliance with Advance Plan 8, Order Point 4 which requires that WEPCO and Wisconsin Power and Light Company must notify the Commission of the selected contractor by December 31, 1999, and states that all four eastern Wisconsin utilities must begin construction by March 1, 2000.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

This is a Type III action under Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 4.10(3). Since no unusual circumstances have come to the attention of the Commission which indicate that significant environmental consequences are likely, neither an environmental impact statement under Wis. Stat. § 1.11 nor an environmental assessment is required.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Paul Helgeson at (608) 266-2072.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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